

# EXHIBIT 9



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# INDEPENDENT BUSINESS OWNER AGREEMENT

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

(Circle One):

Individual

Company

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

LIST NAME OR COMPANY, NOT BOTH.

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Home Telephone (with area code)	Social Security #	Birth date of Applicant
Company Name (Proof of Company Name, Business Tax ID # or Employer ID # required)			Cellular Telephone (with area code)	Federal Tax I.D.# (if applicable)	Birth date of Principal
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code	
Email Address					

## SPONSOR INFORMATION

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Telephone (with area code)	Business ID
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## US TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I acknowledge that I have received and reviewed the ACN Independent Business Owner Agreement, including these US Terms and Conditions and the ACN Policies and Procedures and the ACN Compensation Plan, which are hereby incorporated into and made part of this ACN Independent Business Owner Agreement by reference (collectively, the "Agreement"). By signing below, I agree to comply with, and be bound by, the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement. I acknowledge and agree that the Agreement will become a binding agreement upon me and ACN Opportunity, LLC, a North Carolina limited liability company, only upon acceptance by ACN, and that ACN will notify me of acceptance of the Agreement via email to the email address I submit with this Agreement. I understand that ACN has the right to accept or reject my application to become an Independent Business Owner ("IBO") in its sole discretion. For purposes of this Agreement, ACN Opportunity, LLC is referred to as "ACN". ACN and its parents, subsidiaries and affiliates may be referred to herein collectively as the "ACN Companies" or each individually as an "ACN Company". I understand that there is no requirement beyond entering into this Agreement and payment of the initial fee to become an IBO. No other purchase of sales or training materials or other services are required to become an IBO and any purchase of sales aids, training materials or training is strictly voluntary. I understand that my advancement to higher qualification levels in the ACN Compensation Plan is based upon the acquisition of customers and the usage by such customers of products (goods and services) offered by or through ACN ("ACN Products"), and that I am not obligated to purchase ACN Products. I also understand that if I choose to sponsor others to become IBOs and participate in ACN's Compensation Plan, I will not receive any compensation whatsoever for the act of sponsoring or recruiting, and that I will be compensated based upon the activities of other IBOs only to the extent of sales made by them to customers of ACN Products.

1. I, the undersigned applicant, represent that I am of legal age to enter into legally binding agreements, and that the information submitted in connection with my application to become an IBO is complete, true and correct. I agree to promptly notify ACN of any changes to such information. If I am executing this Agreement on behalf of a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other entity, I represent that I have the authority to enter into such agreements for the entity, but nonetheless I agree that in addition to such entity, I will be personally responsible for the performance of all the duties and obligations described in this Agreement.

**PLEASE SEE PAGE 2 FOR ADDITIONAL TERMS & CONDITIONS**

## CANCELLATION

I may cancel this transaction, without penalty or obligation, for a full refund, if postmarked within ten (10) business days from the date of this Agreement, exclusive of the date of signing. I understand that if I cancel after the ten (10) day period, I am not entitled to a full refund. This limitation is subject to and shall be deemed modified to reflect the limitations required by any state law, including the state of Georgia. If I cancel within the ten (10) business days from the date of this Agreement, any payments made by me under this Agreement and any instrument executed by me will be returned within fifteen (15) business days following receipt by ACN of my Cancellation Notice. To cancel this Agreement, I must deliver personally or via courier or by registered or certified mail return receipt requested, a written, signed, dated copy of a Notice of Cancellation to: ACN Opportunity, LLC, 1000 Progress Place, Concord, NC 28025 Attn: FSS Research. Where applicable state law on cancellation is inconsistent with ACN policy, such state law shall be in force.

## ACCEPTANCE AND PAYMENT

### ☐ \$499 TEAM TRAINER

By signing below, I authorize ACN to charge the credit card listed below.

Select payment method: <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Check (make payable to ACN) <input type="checkbox"/> Cashier's Check <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order <input type="checkbox"/> American Express, Discover, Master Card or Visa		
Credit Card Account Number	Expiration Date	CVV Code (The 3 or 4 digit value located on the front or back of your card)

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use the information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction. When we use this information from your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your account as soon as the same day you make your payment, and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution. In the event that your check is returned unpaid for insufficient or uncollected funds, we may electronically debit your account for the principal amount of the check.

I verify that I have carefully reviewed and fully understand ACN's income opportunity presentation materials, which can be found on The ACN Opportunity Dual Disc or www.acninc.com. I acknowledge that ACN has a global commitment to integrity, and as an ACN Independent Business Owner, it is my responsibility to uphold this commitment and always operate my business the right way.

Yes, I want to become an Independent Business Owner. Neither I, nor my spouse/life partner (unless they are my sponsor), have had any other interest and/or benefit in any other ACN IBO position within the 12 months prior to the effective date of this Agreement. I have read and agree to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including the US Terms and Conditions, the ACN Policies and Procedures, and the ACN Compensation Plan, all of which are incorporated into this Agreement and are available for me to review, store, or print at www.acninc.com

## ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

Applicant's Signature	Date
Applicant's Printed Name	Your Business ID number is: _____

2. I agree to timely pay for any products, materials, services or other items that I purchase from any ACN Company. In the event that I am delinquent with respect to such payments, I acknowledge that ACN may offset such debt from any commissions, bonuses, or other compensation earned through the ACN Compensation Plan, or any other monies owing to me ("ACN Payments").

3. I agree that as an IBO, I am an independent contractor responsible for my own business and not an agent, legal representative or employee of ACN or any carrier, supplier, service provider or other party with whom ACN transacts or contracts business ("ACN Providers"). I acknowledge that my IBO relationship is with ACN Opportunity, LLC and not with any other ACN Company or ACN Provider. I understand that as an IBO, I am free to select my own means, methods and manner of operation and that I am free to choose the hours and location of my activities under this Agreement, subject only to the terms of this Agreement. I shall have no power or authority to bind ACN, either directly or indirectly, and I will not take any action inconsistent with this limit of authority, including representing in any manner that I am an agent, representative, legal representative or employee of ACN, any other ACN Company or any ACN Provider. I acknowledge that as an independent contractor I am not entitled to holidays, vacations, disability, insurance, pensions or retirement plans, or any other benefits offered or provided by ACN or any other ACN Company to its employees. I understand that I am solely responsible for remitting any taxes and obtaining any business licenses or insurance required by regulations or authorities to conduct my business. I acknowledge and agree that I will not be treated as or represent myself as an employee for purposes of any federal, state or local statute, regulation, ordinance or other law.

4. I may terminate this Agreement for any reason, at any time, by giving ACN prior written notice at its address of record. ACN may terminate this Agreement pursuant to the ACN Policies and Procedures or in the event that I breach any part of this Agreement.

5. I acknowledge that as an IBO, I am not guaranteed any income nor am I assured any profits or success, and I certify that no claims of guaranteed profits or representations of expected earnings that might result from my efforts as an IBO have been made by ACN or my sponsor. Similarly, I shall not represent directly or indirectly that any person may, can, or will earn any stated amount or that any IBOs are guaranteed success.

6. I understand that the ACN Products are offered in different markets on terms and at rates determined by ACN or ACN Providers, and that the markets where the products are offered and the terms and conditions or prices thereof may change from time to time without notice.

7. This Agreement shall become effective upon acceptance by ACN and continue for an initial term of one (1) year unless sooner terminated as permitted herein. My relationship with ACN may be extended for additional one year periods by my agreement to the then current ACN IBO US Terms and Conditions, and payment of ACN's annual renewal fee no later than 30 days after each Agreement anniversary date. The annual fee is for services provided by ACN which include but are not limited to tracking of personal customers, tracking of downline IBOs and support services, including but not limited to hosting of an IBO's a direct website, materials and training information on the IBO Back Office, and access to the IBO support call center. I understand that failure to renew within the specified time frame shall result in termination of this Agreement and my relationship with ACN and deactivation of my IBO position, and shall result in the forfeiture of bonuses, commissions or other payments from ACN. However, those rights and obligations which by their nature are intended to survive termination of this Agreement shall survive, including without limitation the provisions governing dispute resolution, indemnification, non-solicitation, confidentiality, and account maintenance fees.

8. I understand that there is a fee to process all ACN Payments. I agree that any payments made to me by ACN that remain unclaimed by me after six (6) months shall be held in an account that is subject to an account maintenance fee of \$10 per month (the "Account Maintenance Fee") which shall be deducted by ACN monthly. If there are insufficient funds owed me from which to deduct the monthly Account Maintenance Fee when due, and I do not otherwise pay the Account Maintenance Fee, then the Account Maintenance Fee shall be prorated to reflect the amount of funds remaining and the account shall remain open for an equally prorated amount of time. When no unclaimed amounts are owed to me by ACN the account shall be closed. I further acknowledge that unclaimed amounts owed to me may be subject to applicable escheat laws which may require ACN to deliver unclaimed funds to the state.

9. In the process of selling or otherwise promoting the ACN Products, I agree that I will operate in a lawful, ethical and moral manner and I agree to make no false or misleading statements regarding the ACN Products or about the various relationships between ACN, the ACN Provider(s) and me.

10. I understand that during any investigation by ACN with respect to my breach of this Agreement or my conduct as an IBO, my IBO position status may be suspended by ACN and any ACN Payments which may be otherwise owing to me shall be held until final resolution has been achieved. I acknowledge that in the event ACN determines that I have violated this Agreement, including the ACN Policies and Procedures or the ACN Compensation Plan, ACN may terminate this Agreement and deactivate my IBO position, in which event I will not be entitled to any ACN Payments or further commissions or compensation of any kind.

11. I agree to keep accurate records and shall not engage in or perform any misleading, deceptive or unethical practices. I further agree to abide by all federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the sale or solicitation of the products marketed by ACN and/or the ACN Provider(s), including but not limited to, all applicable anti-spam legislation and obtaining and maintaining any and all permits and licenses required to perform under this Agreement and I understand that I will be personally liable for any fines and other expenses incurred by ACN, any ACN Company or any ACN Provider as a result of any failure to do so. I specifically represent and warrant that I shall not engage in the slamming of a customer.

12. IN NO EVENT WILL ACN, ANY OTHER ACN COMPANY OR ANY OTHER ACN PROVIDER BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, (INCLUDING DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF BUSINESS PROFITS, BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, AND THE LIKE), ARISING OUT OF ANY CAUSE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BREACH OF WARRANTY OR THE DELAY, ACT, ERROR OR OMISSION OF ACN, ANY ACN COMPANY OR ANY ACN PROVIDER, OR THE DELIVERY, NONDELIVERY, DISCONTINUATION, OR MODIFICATION OF ANY PRODUCT OR SERVICE BY ACN, ANY ACN COMPANY, OR ANY ACN PROVIDER, EVEN IF ACN HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

13. OTHER THAN THE RETURN RIGHTS DESCRIBED HEREIN, ACN, THE OTHER ACN COMPANIES AND ACN PROVIDERS MAKE NO EXPRESS WARRANTIES, AND THERE ARE NO IMPLIED WARRANTIES. EXPRESSLY EXCLUDED ARE ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. NO ORAL OR WRITTEN INFORMATION OR ADVICE GIVEN BY ACN, ANY ACN COMPANY, ANY ACN PROVIDER, OR THEIR AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES WILL CREATE A WARRANTY OR IN ANY WAY INCREASE THE SCOPE OF THE FOREGOING WARRANTY.

14. ACN shall periodically make various sales literature, promotion materials, training and other products available for my use in conducting my business as an IBO. I, however, am under no obligation to purchase any quantities of those materials or services at any time. Rather, I will have the option to order and purchase any materials or services which I may choose. If I choose to purchase such materials then I may return any unused, unopened and currently marketable items for up to one year and receive a refund of 90% of the purchase price. I will be responsible for the cost of shipping said materials to ACN.

15. I acknowledge that I have the right to sign up as many personal customers as I wish. For each personal customer signed, I will be eligible to receive a commission from my personal customers' usage payments for ACN Products and from usage payments from personal customers in my network of IBOs in accord with the currently valid ACN Compensation

Plan. I understand that eligibility to receive ACN Payments is conditioned upon being an active IBO with a valid Agreement in effect on the date such compensation is scheduled to be paid. ACN reserves the right to vary or change eligibility as set out in the ACN Compensation Plan. Any other payments I receive will be based upon fulfilling certain terms of qualification as set forth by the ACN Compensation Plan. I agree that as an ACN IBO, I shall place primary emphasis upon the sale of ACN Products to customers. Under certain circumstances, commission rates may be adjusted for promotional products or negotiated pricing.

16. I agree to indemnify and hold ACN, the other ACN Companies, the ACN Providers and their respective shareholders, directors, officers and employees harmless from any and all claims, damages, and expenses, including any attorney's fees, arising out of my actions or omissions in connection with this Agreement.

17. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the state of North Carolina and the Federal Arbitration Act, as specified in Section II.B. of the ACN Policies and Procedures. In the event of a dispute between ACN and me as to our respective rights, duties and obligations arising out of or relating to this Agreement, it is mutually agreed that such disputes shall be exclusively resolved through the process and according to the provisions specified in Section II.B. of the ACN Policies and Procedures ("Dispute Resolution Provisions"). ACN and I agree that, notwithstanding Section 18 below, to the extent of any inconsistency, the Dispute Resolution Provisions in the ACN Policies and Procedures shall control. The Dispute Resolution Provisions require, without limitation, and except as otherwise expressly stated, that ACN and I will resolve all disputes through binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association pursuant to the Commercial Rules of Arbitration. Both ACN and I agree that all disputes will be resolved on an individual basis and that each may only bring claims against the other in an individual capacity (and not as a claimant or class member in any purported class or representative proceeding).

18. I acknowledge that ACN fully reserves its right to amend this Agreement at any time by notifying me of the changes, including by posting the revisions on the ACN website (www.acninc.com). Any changes to this Agreement made by ACN may apply: (1) upon the date of execution or posting of the amended Agreement on the ACN website, or (2) prospectively to some specified date in the amendment. Any such changes are incorporated as part of this Agreement. No amendment shall apply retroactively. This Agreement, including the US Terms and Conditions, the ACN Policies and Procedures and the ACN Compensation Plan which have been incorporated herein by reference, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto and shall not be modified or amended except as described herein. In the event of a conflict between the US Terms and Conditions and the ACN Policies and Procedures or the ACN Compensation Plan, the US Terms and Conditions shall control. For purposes of this Agreement, my address as submitted by me with this Agreement shall be deemed to be my correct address unless and until notification of a change of address is provided by me to ACN.

19. I understand that I may not assign this Agreement without the prior written consent of ACN, which may be withheld, conditioned, or delayed in ACN's sole discretion. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of heirs, successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereto. If any provision of this Agreement is determined by any authority of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable in part or in whole for any reason whatsoever, the validity of the remaining provisions or portions thereof shall not be affected thereby and such authority should reform this Agreement to the extent necessary to render the otherwise unenforceable provision or portion thereof valid and enforceable.

20. I acknowledge that I may receive proprietary and confidential data or information of ACN and/or ACN Provider(s) which is not publicly known or available to the competitors of ACN or ACN Providers, including but not limited to information about ACN Products, customers, and IBOs ("Confidential Information"), and I agree that I shall treat such Confidential Information as strictly confidential and that I may not, directly or indirectly use, sell, lend, lease, distribute, license, give, transfer, disclose, disseminate, reproduce or otherwise communicate any such Confidential Information to any person or entity for any purpose other than as authorized by ACN in writing. I represent and warrant that I will comply with all ACN policies and procedures relating to confidential and proprietary information, and I agree that all prohibitions against disclosure of Confidential Information shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

21. During the term of this Agreement, I agree that I shall not, directly or indirectly, sell or solicit customers for products offered by or through ACN through any person or entity other than that specifically designated or approved in writing by ACN. I agree that I shall not, during the term of this Agreement and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, directly or indirectly, divert, entice, knowingly call upon, sell or solicit, take away or move any customer of ACN, any other ACN Company or any ACN Provider, whether or not I originally procured or brought such customer to ACN, any other ACN Company or ACN Provider (such activities are collectively referred to and included herein as 'solicitation'). All customers solicited by an IBO on behalf of ACN, any other ACN Company or ACN Providers are deemed to be customers of ACN, the other ACN Company or the ACN Provider (as applicable) and not of the IBO. I understand that such non solicitation prohibition shall be strictly enforced and that each other ACN Company and each ACN Provider shall be a third party beneficiary of this prohibition. Further, during the term of the Agreement and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, I may not enter into a direct marketing relationship with any ACN Provider. During the term of this Agreement and for a period of one (1) year thereafter, I shall not solicit an ACN Company IBO, whether active, inactive, individual or entity, to participate in a network marketing program offered by any other company. Each ACN Company shall be a third party beneficiary of this prohibition. Without limiting in any way ACN's or any other ACN Company's right to pursue all rights and remedies available to it, violation of this covenant and condition will result in, but is not limited to, forfeiture of all rights in any IBO position and ACN Payments, including all current and future commissions, bonuses and payments of any kind.